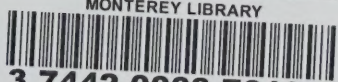


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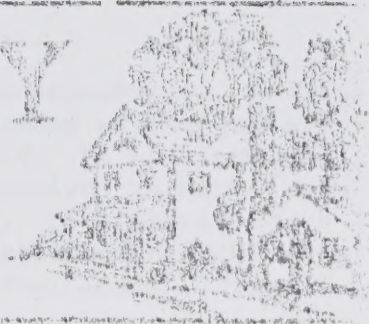








# MONTEREY NEWS



September, 1980

## OUR TOWN

### Monterey Enters Contest to Reduce Consumption of Electricity

Monterey has been chosen to represent Massachusetts in the 1980 International Conservation Days Competition, a contest conceived by a New England Governors and Eastern Canadian Premier Conference in January of this year. Each of the six New England states and five Eastern Canadian provinces will enter one town in the contest the object of which is to reduce total electrical energy consumption by a significant percentage during a three day period in October. The purpose of the contest is to establish an awareness of energy use and a motivation

toward energy conservation in all participating regions.

Each town will be monitored earlier in the month to determine average electrical use and subsequently will be monitored during the period of the contest which will begin at 6 PM Wednesday, Oct. 22 and will run until 12 noon Saturday Oct. 25. Awards will be given for first, second and third place winners. Other awards will be given for the best overall three-day program and for the best single project or event during the competition.

Members of the Monterey Energy Project are coordinating Monterey's participation in the contest. The Mass. Executive Office of Energy Resources has offered its facilities and expertise. Although electricity will be the only form of energy actually monitored, contest coordinators intend to use the three day contest period to raise people's energy consciousness on all levels. Berkshire Community Action has offered to provide transportation between Monterey and Gt. Barrington on Fridays. Jay Savery of the Weatherization Warehouse in Lee has offered Monterey residents a 25% discount on all weatherization materials. Members of the Center for Ecological Technology have pledged advice and have offered access to their Energy Library in Pittsfield. The Monterey Fire Department has volunteered its able force to conduct a door-to-door publicity campaign in Monterey in advance of the contest.

A rough outline of events for the three day contest follows here:

#### Wednesday, October 22

6:30 PM Community Potluck Dinner by Candlelight in Church Social Room. Presentations by families in town who live without electricity. Awards given to winners of various local contests related to the three day competition (poster contest in schools, energy conservation projects, Monterey family who comes up with the best energy saving ideas, etc.)

#### Thursday, October 23

Day Time Individual Energy Conservation - Use your ingenuity - Ride Horses and bikes to get the mail, find ways to get daily jobs done that don't use electricity, invite your electricity-dependent neighbors in to share your wood stove, your gas heated hot water, your gravity fed drinking water. Get together for neighborhood dinners using alternative cooking methods.

approx. 7:30 PM Movies on Energy Conservation and Games to keep warm and have fun in the center of Town. Come One Come All. Car Pool.

#### Friday, October 24

Day Time Keep up the good work.

4:00 PM Dedication of the site of the new energy efficient firehouse and new installed wind monitoring equipment. Demonstrations and display by conservation minded groups, alternative energy organizations, purveyors of non-energy intensive recreational products, etc.

Dedication of new Town Bulletin Board between the General Store and the Post Office.

Ceremonies to be attended by Governor King and Secretary of Energy Fitzpatrick.

6:30 PM Dinner under a big tent on the site of the new firehouse. The firemen will cook it for us. Speeches and Songs. Good times.

#### Saturday, October 25

Organized hiking, biking, horseback riding and the like. Maybe a big picnic at noon. Announcement of the Winner of the Competition.

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Mass at Immaculate Conception in Mill River: 10:00 AM  
Sundays. Mass at Our Lady of the Valley, Sheffield,  
5:30 PM Saturday, 7:30 AM, 9:00 AM and 10:00 AM Sunday.

Morning Worship each Sunday at 10:30 AM. Childcare each Sunday at 10:30 AM in the Social Room. Meditation and Prayer for any in wish to join us, each Thursday at 7:45 PM in the Social Room. There is also a service each Thursday at 7:45 PM at the home of

The Sunday of September 6 was a special day in Monterey. The Chorus, a children's choir, from the Cathedral of St. John the Divine in New York City sang for the service.

They preceded the worship by a mini-concert of about 20 minutes. The choir had spent a week in Monterey at a music camp with their director, Paul Halley. Following the mini-concert they then played for the morning worship. Without question they are welcome to camp in Monterey any time they wish!

THE MONTEREY YOUTH NEWS

YOUTH

Cub Scouts - Pack 51 plans to recharter in September and regular meetings will begin in October.

Webelos - Don Blanchard of Route 23 in Monterey has volunteered to lead this year's Webelos troop. He plans to begin weekly meetings in mid-September.

Brownies - Regular meetings of Brownie Troop #237 are scheduled to resume in mid-October.

Juniors and Cadettes\*-- September 24 is the first scheduled meeting of this year's troop #466.

For more information concerning these organizations, please contact the individual leaders as listed below:

Cub Scouts...

Den 1 - Mrs. Mary Ellen Brown 528-1598  
Den 2 - Mrs. Claudette Callahan 229-7771

Webelos...

Mr. Donald Blanchard 528-9781

Girl Scouts...

Brownies - Mrs. Marueen Bradley 528-0782  
Juniors and Cadettes - Mrs. Linda Whitbeck 528-2164

Kevin Bradley, Youth Editor

## MONTEREY HOMEOWNERS

Protect your homes with twice a week checks of heating, plumbing, and security and plant watering.

References available  
Pat Christie 528-9539

Monterey News Mailing List

Please let us know if you have moved or if the News does not have your correct address. We would also like to hear from those who want to receive the News and have not been on our list or seem to have been lost from it.



Most of us have pretty clear images of the state we call self-consciousness. We speak of being all thumbs or our feet are both left feet. We have various ways of expressing the awkwardness that comes from being focussed in on the self. It is a strange thing, is it not, that sometimes when we stop to think about ourselves we become awkward and clumsy? There is this inward looking that does us in. It hinders what we are doing instead of helping us. It is a state we are all so well-aware of that none of us will claim that we do not know what is meant by the term "self-consciousness."

There is another term we use which is similar, yet the effect upon us is directly opposite to the effect of self-consciousness. Self-awareness we use in a favorable way and it is generally regarded as useful in helping us live and act more effectively. But the self-awareness and self-consciousness imply an inner knowing of the self, yet the effect of one is constructive and the effect of the other is destructive. What makes the difference?

It does not serve the purposes of this article to spend a great amount of time or energy in analyzing how it is that one form of inward knowing helps us and another form hinders us. Let us briefly note, however, one important difference that distinguishes the two. Self-consciousness usually implies that the inward look is to criticize, condemn or in some manner to denigrate the self. It is in this spirit that we start tripping over our own feet. Self-awareness implies more of a detached attitude in the inward looking. It is an inward knowing that is able to see that our life is not necessarily a bowl of roses, but still it does not turn us into all thumbs. I will let you finish working out your own analysis of the difference between self-consciousness and self-awareness.

What I wish to do now is observe that I saw the town of Monterey in something like a state of self-awareness on the evening we gathered for the first time to engage with the fact that Monterey has been chosen by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to represent it in a competition with the other New England states and five provinces of Canada to determine which can make the most significant improvements in energy conservation. Let it be noted that the people of Monterey who gathered that evening were not in a self-critical mood. Naturally, we are all pleased - yes, and maybe a little proud.

It is absolutely obvious, however, if the self-awareness that Monterey gained is to lead to any significant achievement there must of necessity develop a strong capacity to see the many, many ways we are careless and energy-inefficient. This self-awareness must be able to recognize little ways all around us in which we are letting energy be wasted through careless, unthinking practices.

Self-awareness in individuals surely operates by seeing more and more clearly how the different strands within one's life are connected and inter-related. Self-awareness may see many things that are not working together so well, but its attitude is primarily one of celebrating that by seeing one is taking the first step toward correcting and improving what is amiss.

I have a hunch that Monterey "is going to have a ball" of self-awareness as it begins to look inward. We are not going to turn all thumbs and we are not going to find that our feet are all left feet. We may find ourselves startled once we really begin to take energy conservation seriously, that we have been running a poor ship. We surely will find that we have been heating up "all outdoors" through many oversights. We won't really know what these are until we allow the process of self-awareness to inform us.

I want to tell the town of Monterey how proud I am of the town in which I live. It confirms something I have felt over the years, that Monterey does have a special role to play in the building of a better world. Now we have been given a tangible place to take hold and work hard at this task. I predict a Monterey that is going to develop a strong sense of self-awareness. This will involve us in a deepening capacity for self-examination, yes and self-criticism. Yet let it be understood that as it opens to view more of the strands of our life together, it will surely strengthen and deepen us. I salute all the citizens of Monterey as we begin this pilgrimage into self-awareness.

Virgil V. Brallier, minister  
Monterey United Church of Christ

#### NEWS ABOUT PEOPLE

Sylvia Brallier and Rajinder Singh were married on August 16. They are living in Rockville, Connecticut. Mr. Singh is in data processing for Aetna Insurance Co. and Sylvia is continuing her schooling at Manchester Community College.

Lee Richardson and Lea Charmichael were married on September 6. They will be living in Brooklyn, N.Y. Mr. Richardson is a chemical trader and Lea is a painter.

Richard Lankeneau, a long-time summer resident of Monterey died after a very brief illness early in September. A memorial service was held in the Monterey United Church of Christ.

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The state will soon be providing training in low cost, do-it-yourself, home weatherization for any interested persons of the community. For more information.



## GOULD FARM NEWS

### G O U L D F A R M

On July 26, Gordon (Skip) Winchell and Martha Pahte were married at Andover Newton Theological Seminary, where they had both studied. Attending the wedding from Gould Farm were Kent and Nancy Smith and Ken Gleason. The Winchells are now living at Farrington House, where Skip has resumed his job as resident manager. He is assisted by Beverly Dewald, who is on loan from the main Farm, Linda Duncan, a summer time helper, and Mike Reed.

The Bill Kerwin family has returned to the Farm, where Bill worked on the staff for a year in 1973. Since the he has been with Outward Bound. Their old friends here are glad to see them back living at Quiet Hill, former home of Clarence and Ruth Carr. Bill is an administrative assistant for Kent Smith and Barbara, who is an R.N., has released Nancy Smith from the nursing job for a long-awaited vacation. Sean has recently entered second grade at Mill River.

Sandra Duncan has come to help fill the ranks of the Brethren Volunteer Service Workers, several of whom have completed their terms of service here or have stayed on as staff members beyond that time. Although this happens every year, we are never reconciled to losing these fine workers. Sandy comes from Lancaster Co., Pa., and expects to be at the Farm for a year.

Barbara Lahman heard of the Farm through B.V.S. in Illinois. She received her B.S. in elementary education at Manchester College in Indiana. She taught for three months and plans to return to teaching after working here for a year.

Carl Phillips lives in the Boston area. He read about Gould Farm in a bulletin from the National Institute of Health and expects to work here for an as yet undetermined period.

Tom Donlon's home is in northern Virginia. After attending Gordon College in Wenham, Mass., he spent four years in the Navy. He plans to study counselling in graduate school after working on the staff for a year. He learned about Gould Farm from another relatively new staff member, Elizabeth Quincy.

Rose Mc Kee

### MONTEREY GRANGE #291

The Monterey Grange met for an Agriculture Program in charge of chairman Ethel Warner. There was a Safety number by Rerbard Hardesty - Poem and slides on the Heifer Project by Rev. Raymond Ward. There was a baking contest with pies and breads - later baked goods were sold, proceeds to be used to purchase new shades for the hall. The recent food sale and Pancake Breakfast were a huge success and want to thank members and public for helping to make it a success. Next meeting will be Sept 3 when at an open meeting Deputy Lucy Ann Wuori will install the officers.

The grange has entered an exhibit at the Great Barrington Fair.

Mary Wallace, lecturer

### Symposium on Lake Weeds

Speaking on the weed problem in Lake Garfield, Dr. Oliver T. Zajicek, of the U. of Mass addressed a meeting of the Lake Garfield Association on Aug. 29 in the church basement. Head of the Lake Buel limnology survey, he is an expert on lake management.

Not advocated were: harvesting which causes weed spread; the use of chemicals, a temporary measure whose long range results are not known; and weed-eating fish which would supply additional nutrients to the lake.

Dr. Zajicek said that the draw down of the lake, scheduled to start Oct. 31 and end at Thanksgiving, should be continued as a natural process of damaging plant roots. However, the residue left in the lake forms compost and should be removed by dredging, for which federal funds are available under the Clean Water Act. The association voted to ask the selectmen to make application for this money.

Dean Amidon urged lake shore residents to use phosphate free soaps; clean leaves and weeds from their waterfronts, and try shading. Shading is a method of spreading perforated black plastic on waterfront areas to cut off light which permits weeds to grow.

### Fire Department Notes

Two of our members graduated this summer from the Mass. Fire Fighting Academy. Ken Heath and Dan Andrus completed the seven week curriculum with flying colors. Their experiences are already being reflected as they are incorporated into our own training program. They paid all their own expenses and for this and their investment in time and labor we, as a community, are indebted to these young men for their efforts in making the Monterey Fire Company a modern and effective first responding unit.

We also like to say "thank you" to Gould Farm whose recent generous contribution has helped us to purchase three additional SCBAs (Self Contained Breathing Apparatus) and related brackets for our new fire truck which is expected to be delivered by Oct. 1. The support of Gould Farm and others is essential to maintain our state of preparedness.



## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

In fairness to those of us who are not represented in the August issue of the Monterey News, I would request that the following be included in the September News.

I was amazed that any even remote comparison would be made between the citizens of Monterey who have raised questions about the Monterey Store and the Center of the Light and either the Nazis or right-wing anti-Catholic and anti-Semitic hysterics. (See "Faith Versus Fear", Monterey News, August, 1980). Such "guilt by association" tactic would seem to evidence the kind of spirit that Virgil Brallier is deploring in his article.

Although I attended only one selectmen's meeting as a silent observer, I did not see evidence of any Nazi or right-wing tendencies among my neighbors. Nor have I discovered such tendencies in talking with a few of them privately.

There may have been concern among some of our neighbors about new developments in our community. Some of this concern may have been misdirected. But in no way should this concern be equated with hysterical fear.

There seem to have been several levels of concern, each different and each needing close examination. For those who are concerned about the food and merchandise being sold at the Monterey Store, I must agree completely with Linda and Bill Hock that their right to sell what they choose in a free society should not be questioned, although one may still feel for those residents of Monterey without regular means of transportation who have depended on the Store for their grocery staples.

Concerns about pollution of the stream behind the Store, parking, and access to the Library seem to be legitimate ones to be discussed in selectmen's meetings. My impression after attending one meeting was that the selectmen were attempting to be completely fair to the concerns of one group and to the rights of the other. Knowing very little about the issues involved, I assume that the decision to give the store a permit was a right and just one. I did state to a few Monterey residents that, if they did object to the Store or the Center of the Light on philosophical or religious grounds, they would be ill-advised to try to "hang" them on legal technicalities, thus repeating the errors of the citizens of Lenox who tried to keep out "The Bible Speaks" on such grounds.

For those whose concern is genuinely on the religious or philosophical level, I would urge them to support the right of the Store and the Center of the Light to exist in peace and freedom within our community, while at the same time, in open and honest discussion, speaking out for the truths which they hold to be important. Such differences should be approached on an educational rather than a legal plane. The idea of a town forum might be one approach to this kind of discussion. However, since I find the August issue of the Monterey News weighted on one side of whatever division exists in the community, I would hope the forum could be sponsored by a more neutral body. Certainly the churches have the duty to speak openly about non-Christian philosophies and cults. I have only second-hand information that the local Catholic priest has done so. Although my theological stance is radically different from that of Ruth Burkholder (see July Monterey News), I share with her and others in the community the desire that the one Protestant church in our community would speak forthrightly concerning the differences (as well as the areas of agreement) between prophetic religion and the teachings of the "New Age" groups.

To label the concern of some of us as fear akin to that of bigots and Nazis does little to bring understanding or unity to our small community.

Kent D. Smith  
Gould Farm

Letter to the Monterey Fire Department:

Marty and I would like to thank you for the wonderful job you did saving our home Monday morning. I have never seen such promptness and workmanship in all my life. It was a nightmare until you arrived. But as I watched you work the nightmare vanished and I knew there was still hope for us.

You are a credit to your community, and the people of Monterey should be very proud of you. I know I am.

I'm going to let everyone know what a fantastic Fire Company you are. God bless each and everyone of you.

Charlotte Rood

### Community Supper

The September Community Dinner will be held on September 24 in the Social Room of the United Church of Christ. Bring a casserole, salad or dessert and bring your own place setting and napkin. The program will be a presentation on the upcoming Energy Contest in Monterey. Come with ideas.

### Literary Evenings

Poets and writers in Monterey are invited to attend an evening of listening and reading at the home of Ann Williams on Sunday, September 28 at 7:30 PM. If you'd like to read something you've written or listen to a reading of your neighbors' work, call Ann at 528-2348.



Energy Contest continued from front page

Committee needs for the Contest Period report that they need both manpower and ideas. Call and volunteer your brainstorm and/or your services. Publicity Committee Head is Ann Williams (528-2348). Programs and Projects Committee Head is Ellen Pearson (528-1912). Transportation Committee Head is Fred Molle (528-1912). Contest Coordinators are Mickey Friedman and Al Silverstein (528-9200).

"Where There's a Will, There's a Way" - Ray Tryon, Monterey Fire Department

The Monterey Fire Department, comprising twenty firefighters, has formed a non-profit organization, the Monterey Fire Company, Ltd. The company will provide a legal structure through which funds may be processed and by which ongoing projects and plans may be facilitated.

The group's latest project is a big one. Approximately two and a half acres of land have been purchased in the business district of Monterey on which there is a small house. The house will be moved to one side of the property and sold. The remainder of the land will become the site of a new company-owned fire house.

The primary purposes of the building will be to provide more fuel efficient and functional housing for fire equipment and activities. It will accommodate both firefighting training and fund raising affairs for the Fire Company. In addition to satisfying those purposes the building will be available to any group in town which needs a place to have a meeting, a dinner or a dance. There will be an apparatus room which can accommodate 400 people. There will be meeting rooms, a dispatch room, a radio room, bathrooms, a kitchen and dormitory facilities. The building will be fitted out to make use of whatever alternative energy sources prove feasible in the future. Initially a multi-fuel boiler will be installed. Provisions will be made for heat storage under the floor in expectation of later installations of solar collectors. The Monterey Energy Project will mount its wind monitoring equipment on the site and, if the wind proves sufficient, the energy generated could circulate the building's hot water heat.

A privately owned fire house is not without precedent in the New England States. State building codes govern the use of any fire house, and upon completion of the new building fire equipment will be moved in subject to the approval of the Town of Monterey. Even in its initial stages the Monterey Fire Company's plan has met with support and approval among members of the larger community. Townspeople have come forward to volunteer both money and help. The firemen have pledged their salaries and their manpower. Chief Ray Tryon says that the project is intended to be for the benefit of the community and that his company's wish is not to make Monterey a better town to live in but rather to make it the best.

Monterey Police Department Sponsors Bikethon

Police Chief Doug Lyman announces a Bikethon in Monterey to benefit the St. Jude Children's Research Hospital on September 27 at 9:00 AM. Bikers in town are urged to find a sponsor and contact members of the Police Department for further details. There will be a planned course overseen by the policemen, and food and soda will be served in Greene Park where the race will begin. For information, call 528-3211.

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